#### **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

### **SOUTH CAROLINA**

DOCKET NO. 2011-6-G - ORDER NO. 2011-742

OCTOBER 13, 2011

IN RE:	Application of South Carolina Electric & Gas	)	INITIAL ORDER ON
	Company to Have the Terms of the Natural	)	APPLICATION OF THE
	Gas Rate Stabilization Act Apply to the	)	NATURAL GAS RATE
	Company's Rates and Charges for Gas	)	STABILIZATION ACT
	Distribution Services	)	

## I. INTRODUCTION

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §§ 58-5-420(2) and 58-5-455, a portion of the Natural Gas Rate Stabilization Act, as related to South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G or the Company). Order No. 2005-619 established a baseline return on equity for the Company under the Act. Section 58-5-455 sets out a procedure for the handling of monitoring reports under the Act related to the quarter ending March 31.

Briefly, under Section 58-5-455, the Company files the monitoring reports with the Commission and the Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS). Parties may comment on the reports. Where it appears to the Commission or ORS that an adjustment in rates may be warranted, ORS shall conduct an audit of the monitoring report and specify any changes that it determines are necessary to correct errors in the report or to otherwise bring the report into compliance with the statute. Parties may comment on the ORS audit. On or before October 15, the Commission shall issue an initial order setting forth any changes required in the utility's request to adjust rates under the statute. Any gas rate adjustments

authorized under the terms of the statute shall take effect for all bills rendered on or after the first billing cycle of November of that year. This present order is the "initial order" contemplated by S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-5-455 for SCE&G.

Pursuant to the South Carolina Natural Gas Rate Stabilization Act ("Act"), SCE&G submitted its quarterly monitoring report for the twelve-month period ending March 31, 2011, as well as the required revenue calculations and proposed changes to its tariff rates necessary to permit SCE&G the opportunity to earn the rate of return on common equity established in its last general rate case as specified in Section 58-5-420(1).

According to its Application, SCE&G indicated that it needed to increase its revenues by \$8,635,166 to achieve a return on common equity equaling 10.25% as authorized in its last general rate case in Docket No. 2005-113-G.

The ORS conducted a review of SCE&G's Monitoring Report for the twelve-month period ending March 31, 2011, to evaluate compliance with Section 58-5-430 and Section 58-5-440 of the Act. The ORS proposed certain adjustments to reported amounts to bring the report into conformance with those Sections. As a result of these adjustments, the ORS calculated the adjusted return on rate base and return on common equity to be 7.24% and 8.05%, respectively, and proposed that, in accordance with guidelines of the Act, the Company should increase its rates and charges sufficient to achieve a return on common equity of 10.25% as previously authorized.

Accordingly, ORS recommended that the Company's request of \$8,635,166

be decreased by (\$174,896) resulting in an increase to revenues of \$8,460,270. After the proposed increase, the Company will have the opportunity to earn a rate of return and return on common equity of 8.44% and 10.25%, respectively.

SCE&G filed written comments advising the Commission that it agrees with the proposed adjustments reflected in the ORS Audit Report. Additionally, SCE&G filed proposed rates and charges reflecting the findings of the ORS Audit Report.

We have examined the accounting and pro forma adjustments proposed and agreed upon by the parties, and we take no exception to them.

## **II. FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

- 1. S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-5-455, a portion of the Natural Gas Rate Stabilization Act, requires the filing of certain documents and the issuance of this Initial Order.
  - 2. Changes are required to the Company's request to adjust rates.
- 3. ORS has suggested certain changes to which SCE&G does not object, as outlined above. Based on the accounting adjustments, an increase to revenues of \$8,460,270 is appropriate.
- 4. This Commission has found no other changes appropriate or necessary other than those agreed to by the parties.
- 5. This Commission adopts the changes and adjustments proposed by the parties and the resulting rates and charges identified in the exhibit attached to SCE&G's September 14, 2011 correspondence and identified therein as Exhibit A, filed in this docket, which is incorporated and attached hereto.

- 6. The rates shall be effective for bills rendered on and after the first billing cycle in November 2011.
- 7. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

John E. Howard, Chairman

ATTEST:

David A. Wright, Vice Chairman

(SEAL)

## **SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY**

#### **PROPOSED RATES**

Rate 31

Small Firm General Service

Rate 32 Value

Residential Value Service

Rate 32 Standard

Residential Standard Service

Rate 33

Medium Firm General Service

Rate 34

Large General Service

Rate 35

Firm Transportation and Standby Service

Rate 36

Gas Lighting

Rider to Rates 31, 32V, 32S, 33 and 34

Service for Air Conditioning

Weather Normalization Adjustment

Adjustment Determination

RATE 31 GENERAL SERVICE

#### **AVAILABILITY**

Available only to those customers having firm requirements on a peak day of less than 500 therms and using the Company's service for general commercial, industrial, agricultural, religious or charitable purposes. Only for residential where more than one dwelling unit is supplied through one meter. It is not available for resale.

#### RATE PER MONTH

 Basic Facilities Charge:
 November - April May - October
 \$18.92
 \$20.58

 May - October
 \$14.75
 \$16.41

Plus Commodity Charge:

All therms @ \$1.02389 \$1.03822 per therm

## WEATHER NORMALIZATION ADJUSTMENT

An adjustment to the commodity charges for the billing months of November-April above will be made in accordance with the Weather Normalization Adjustment.

#### **DEKATHERM BILLING**

Customers that have installed chart metering facilities may be billed on a per Dekatherm basis (1 dekatherm = 10 therms). The amount per dekatherm will be determined by multiplying the above by 10.

#### MINIMUM CHARGE

The monthly minimum charge shall be the basic facilities charge as stated above.

#### **UNMETERED GAS LIGHTING PROVISION**

Gas used for lighting will be determined based on BTU ratings of fixtures installed and will be billed the commodity charges listed above.

#### SEASONAL BLOCK CHARGE

A charge will apply for customers who disconnect service and subsequently request reconnection of service at the same premise within a 12 month period. This is commonly referred to as seasonal block. The charge will be based on the number of months the customer is disconnected times the basic facilities charge as stated above. In determining the months of disconnection, any number of days disconnected within a month constitutes a whole month of disconnection. If reconnection is requested to be performed after normal business hours, an additional charge of \$20.00 will be added to the charges as calculated above.

## ADJUSTMENT FOR RECOVERY OF GAS COSTS

The commodity charges above include gas costs of \$0.55373 per therm and are subject to adjustment by order of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

#### SALES AND FRANCHISE TAX

To the above will be added any applicable sales tax, franchise fee or business license tax which may be assessed by any state or local governmental body.

#### **PAYMENT TERMS**

All bills are net and payable when rendered.

#### TERM OF CONTRACT

Contracts shall run continuously from time service is commenced at each location until service to customer is permanently disconnected. The peak day requirement contained in the Availability will be determined in the same manner as the determination of the category for curtailment of retail customers. A separate contract shall cover each meter at each location.

## **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### RATE 32V

RESIDENTIAL VALUE SERVICE (Page 1 of 2)

#### **AVAILABILITY**

This rate schedule is only available to residential customers that meet the special provisions as listed below and are using the Company's service in individually metered private residences. For apartments or multi-family structures having not more than two (2) dwelling units, gas service for a central heating system for the entire building may be included in the account of one of the dwelling units. All gas service supplied to the second dwelling unit will be separately metered to comply with the provisions of this rate.

#### RATE PER MONTH

 Basic Facilities Charge:
 \$10.50
 \$10.90

 Plus Commodity Charge:
 \$0.99602
 \$ 1.03567
 per therm

#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS

- 1. This rate schedule is available to those accounts where there is an average usage of at least 10 therms during the billing months of June, July and August. The average usage is derived by combining the therm usage for each of the billing months previously listed and dividing by three.
- 2. Therm usage during a billing month of other than 30 days, used to determine eligibility under this rate schedule, shall be adjusted to a 30 day billing period by application of a fraction, the numerator of which shall be 30 and the denominator of which shall be the actual number of days in the billing period.
- 3. The calculation as described in 1. above will be performed annually for each residential account. Accounts not meeting the standards of Rate 32V will be placed on Rate 32S beginning with the billing month of November of each year.
- 4. Availability of this rate schedule for new premises will be based on reasonably anticipated base load usage. Availability of this rate schedule for new accounts at existing premises will be based on the previous account's usage. If this usage is unavailable, the customer will be initially placed on Rate 32S Residential Standard Service.

#### WEATHER NORMALIZATION ADJUSTMENT

An adjustment to the commodity charges for the billing months of November-April above will be made in accordance with the Weather Normalization Adjustment.

#### MINIMUM CHARGE

The monthly minimum charge shall be the basic facilities charge as stated above.

#### **UNMETERED GAS LIGHTING PROVISION**

Gas used for lighting will be determined based on the BTU rating of fixtures installed and will be billed the commodity charges listed above.

#### SEASONAL BLOCK CHARGE

A charge will apply for customers who disconnect service and subsequently request reconnection of service at the same premise within a 12 month period. This is commonly referred to as seasonal block. The charge will be based on the number of months the customer is disconnected times the basic facilities charge as stated above. In determining the months of disconnection, any number of days disconnected within a month constitutes a whole month of disconnection. If reconnection is requested to be performed after normal business hours, an additional charge of \$20.00 will be added to the charges as calculated above.

#### RATE 32V

## RESIDENTIAL VALUE SERVICE (Page 2 of 2)

## ADJUSTMENT FOR RECOVERY OF GAS COSTS

The commodity charges above include gas costs of \$0.60493 per therm and are subject to adjustment by order of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

#### SALES AND FRANCHISE TAX

To the above will be added any applicable sales tax, franchise fee or business license tax which may be assessed by any state or local governmental body.

#### PAYMENT TERMS

All bills are net and payable when rendered.

#### **TERM OF CONTRACT**

Contracts shall run continuously from time service is commenced at each location until service to customer is permanently disconnected. A separate contract shall cover each meter at each location.

#### **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The Company's General Terms and Conditions are incorporated by reference and a part of this rate schedule.

Effective For Bills Rendered On and After the 1st Billing Cycle of November 2011

#### RATE 32S

#### RESIDENTIAL STANDARD SERVICE

#### **AVAILABILITY**

This rate schedule is only available to residential customers that are not eligible for rate schedule 32V Residential Value Service and are using the Company's service in individually metered private residences. For apartments or multi-family structures having not more than two (2) dwelling units, gas service for a central heating system for the entire building may be included in the account of one of the dwelling units. All gas service supplied to the second dwelling unit will be separately metered to comply with the provisions of this rate.

#### RATE PER MONTH

 Basic Facilities Charge:
 November - April
 \$10.50
 \$10.90

 May - October
 \$10.50
 \$10.90

Plus Commodity Charge:

All Therms @

\$1.05602 \$1.09567 per therm

#### WEATHER NORMALIZATION ADJUSTMENT

An adjustment to the commodity charges for the billing months of November-April above will be made in accordance with the Weather Normalization Adjustment.

#### MINIMUM CHARGE

The monthly minimum charge shall be the basic facilities charge as stated above.

#### UNMETERED GAS LIGHTING PROVISION

Gas used for lighting will be determined based on the BTU rating of fixtures installed and will be billed the commodity charges listed above.

#### SEASONAL BLOCK CHARGE

A charge will apply for customers who disconnect service and subsequently request reconnection of service at the same premises within a 12 month period. This is commonly referred to as seasonal block. The charge will be based on the number of months the customer is disconnected times the basic facilities charge as stated above. In determining the months of disconnection, any number of days disconnected within a month constitutes a whole month of disconnection. If reconnection is requested to be performed after normal business hours, an additional charge of \$20.00 will be added to the charges as calculated above.

#### ADJUSTMENT FOR RECOVERY OF GAS COSTS

The commodity charges above include gas costs of \$0.60493 per therm and are subject to adjustment by order of the Public Service Commission of

#### SALES AND FRANCHISE TAX

To the above will be added any applicable sales tax, franchise fee or business license tax which may be assessed by any state or local governmental body.

#### **PAYMENT TERMS**

All bills are net and payable when rendered.

#### **TERM OF CONTRACT**

Contracts shall run continuously from time service is commenced at each location until service to customer is permanently disconnected. A separate contract shall cover each meter at each location.

#### **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

## RATE 33 MEDIUM GENERAL SERVICE

#### **AVAILABILITY**

Available only to those customers using the Company's service for firm general commercial, industrial, agriculture, religious or charitable purposes and for residential where more than one dwelling unit is supplied through one meter. Also, this rate schedule is only available where there is an average usage of at least 130 therms during the billing months of June, July and August. The average usage is derived by combining the therm usage for each of the billing months previously listed and dividing by three. It is not available for resale.

#### RATE PER MONTH

Basic Facilities Charge:	\$25.51	\$27.17	_
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Plus Commodity Charge:	\$ 0.97389	\$ 0 98822	ner therm
All Therms @	\$ 0;01000	# 0.300EE	_ per allerill

#### WEATHER NORMALIZATION ADJUSTMENT

An adjustment to the commodity charges for the billing months of November-April above will be made in accordance with the Weather Normalization Adjustment.

#### **DEKATHERM BILLING**

Customers that have installed chart metering facilities may be billed on a per Dekatherm basis (1 dekatherm = 10 therms). The amount per dekatherm will be determined by multiplying the above by 10.

#### MINIMUM CHARGE

The monthly minimum charge shall be the basic facilities charge as stated above.

#### UNMETERED GAS LIGHTING PROVISION

Gas used for lighting will be determined based on BTU ratings of fixtures installed and will be billed the commodity charges listed above.

#### SEASONAL BLOCK CHARGE

A charge will apply for customers who disconnect service and subsequently request reconnection of service at the same premise within a 12 month period. This is commonly referred to as seasonal block. The charge will be based on the number of months the customer is disconnected times the basic facilities charge as stated above. In determining the months of disconnection, any number of days disconnected within a month constitutes a whole month of disconnection. If reconnection is requested to be performed after normal business hours, an additional charge of \$20.00 will be added to the charges as calculated above.

#### ADJUSTMENT FOR RECOVERY OF GAS COSTS

The commodity charges above include gas costs of \$0.55373 per therm and are subject to adjustment by order of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

#### SALES AND FRANCHISE TAX

To the above will be added any applicable sales tax, franchise fee or business license tax which may be assessed by any state or local governmental body.

#### **PAYMENT TERMS**

All bills are net and payable when rendered.

#### **TERM OF CONTRACT**

Contracts shall run continuously from time service is commenced at each location until service to customer is permanently disconnected. A separate contract shall cover each meter at each location: No contract shall be written for less than twelve (12) months.

#### GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### RATE 34 LARGE GENERAL SERVICE

#### **AVAILABILITY**

Available only to those customers having firm requirements and a maximum daily quantity (MDQ) of at least 50 Dekatherms or greater and using the Company's service for industrial manufacturing or large commercial operations. It is not available for resale service.

#### **MAXIMUM DAILY QUANTITY (MDQ)**

The actual MDQ shall be the greatest amount of gas delivered to the customer during any day (10:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.) of the current billing month

#### RATE PER MONTH

## Monthly Demand Charge:

First 50 Dekatherms @	\$ <del>552.00</del> \$572.50	
Excess over 50 Dekatherms @	<del>\$7.19</del> \$7.60	per Dekatherm
Commodity Charge @	<del>\$ 7.3511</del> \$ 7.4118	per Dekatherm

#### **DETERMINATION OF BILLING DEMAND**

#### (a) Billing Months of November-April:

The monthly billing demand shall be the greatest of: (1) The actual MDQ; (2) The contract MDQ; or (3) 50 Dekatherms.

#### (b) Billing Months of May-October:

The monthly billing demand shall be the greatest of: (1) The actual MDQ; (2) 50% of the contract MDQ; or (3) 50% of the highest MDQ occurring during any of the preceding billing months of November-April; or (4) 50 Dekatherms.

#### **MINIMUM CHARGE**

The monthly minimum charge shall be the demand charge as determined above.

#### ADJUSTMENT FOR RECOVERY OF GAS COSTS

The commodity charges above include gas costs of \$5.903 per dekatherm. These charges are subject to adjustment by order of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

#### SALES AND FRANCHISE TAX

To the above will be added any applicable sales tax, franchise fee or business license tax which may be assessed by any state or local governmental body.

#### **PAYMENT TERMS**

All bills are net and payable when rendered.

#### **TERM OF CONTRACT**

Service hereunder shall be provided under a written contract, with a minimum initial term of one year with automatic extensions, unless terminated by either party in accordance with the terms of contract. In the event of a default to the contract, this rate schedule and the General Terms and Conditions will constitute a contract for a term of six months. A separate written contract shall cover each meter at each location.

#### **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### RATE 35

## TRANSPORTATION AND STANDBY SERVICE (Page 1 of 2)

#### **AVAILABILITY**

Transportation service is available to any customer who has firm requirements of 50 Dekatherms Maximum daily Quantity (MDQ) or greater and, who owns and delivers gas to the Company at an acceptable point of connection, for delivery by the Company to the customer's regular point of service.

Service will be supplied at the best efforts of the Company and may be restricted from time to time due to operating limitations on the Company's system or from third party restrictions. In the event of such limitations, the transportation service is subordinate to service under all other rate schedules and may be curtailed or interrupted, normally upon not less than two hours advance notice, or, when necessitated by conditions affecting the Company's gas system, upon less than two hours advance notice.

#### RATE PER MONTH

#### Transportation Service

Monthly Demand Charge:

First	50 Dekatherms @	\$ <del>552.00</del>	\$572.50	_
Excess over	50 Dekatherms @	\$ <del>7.19</del>	\$7.60	_per Dekatherm
Commodity Cha	rge @	\$ <u>1.4583</u>	\$ 1.5190	_per delivered Dekatherm

## **DETERMINATION OF BILLING DEMAND**

#### (a) Billing Months of November-April:

The monthly billing dernand shall be the greatest of: (1) The actual MDQ; (2) The contract MDQ; or (3) 50 Dekatherms.

#### (b) Billing Months of May-October:

The monthly billing demand shall be the greatest of: (1) The actual MDQ; (2) 50% of the contract MDQ; or (3) 50% of the highest MDQ occurring during any of the preceding billing months of November-April; or (4) 50 Dekatherms.

#### Standby Service

In addition to the demand charges for transportation service the following charges will apply for gas supplied by the Company.

#### (a) Billing Months of November-April:

The monthly billing demand shall be the greatest of: (1) The actual MDQ; (2) The contract MDQ; or (3) 50 Dekatherms.

Demand Charge @	\$ <del>6.00</del>	\$6.00 per Dekatherm
Commodity Charge @	\$7.3511 \$	7.4118 per Dekatherm

(b) Billing Months of May-October:

Demand Charge @	None	None	_
Commodity Charge @	\$ <del>7.3511</del>	\$ 7.4118	per Dekatherm

#### MINIMUM CHARGE

The monthly minimum charge shall be the demand charges as determined above.

## ADJUSTMENT FOR RECOVERY OF GAS COSTS

The commodity charges above include gas costs of \$5.903 per dekatherm. These charges are subject to adjustment by order of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

#### **DELIVERED GAS QUANTITY**

When separate metering is not feasible, the Company shall assume for billing purposes, unless otherwise agreed to, that such metered volumes reflect deliveries under this rate schedule prior to gas received under any other rate schedule.

The quantity of transportation gas received into the Company's system for the customer's account to be delivered to the customer by the Company shall be reduced by 3% in measurement for line loss and unaccounted for gas.

#### RATE 35

## TRANSPORTATION AND STANDBY SERVICE (Page 2 of 2)

#### **DELIVERED GAS QUANTITY**

The volume of gas received on a daily basis for customer's account may not equal the volume, less shrinkage, delivered to the customer. The result will be deemed an imbalance. Customer's account will be reviewed at the end of each month, or on termination of Transportation Service or curtailment or discontinuance thereof. If the imbalance is such that the customer has received more gas than was delivered to the Company during the period under review, customer shall be billed for such as standby service. If the imbalance is such that the customer has received less gas than was delivered to the Company may exercise one of two options, in its sole discretion. The Company may: (1) deliver the excess gas to the customer, over the next calendar month succeeding the review, at such times as the Company shall determine in its sole discretion; or (2) buy excess gas at Company's lowest delivered purchase price in that month from any of Company's suppliers.

#### LIABILITY

The Company shall not be liable for curtailment of service under this rate schedule or loss of gas of the customer as a result of any steps taken to comply with any law, regulation, or order of any governmental agency with jurisdiction to regulate, allocate or control gas supplies or the rendition of service hereunder, and regardless of any defect in such law, regulation, or order.

Gas shall be and remain the property of the customer while being transported and delivered by the Company. The customer shall be responsible for maintaining all insurance it deems necessary to protect its property interest in such gas before, during, and after receipt by the Company.

The Company shall not be liable for any loss to the customer arising from or out of service under this rate schedule, including loss of gas in the possession of the Company or any other cause, except gross or willful negligence of the Company's own employees or agents. The Company reserves the right to commingle gas of the customer with other supplies.

#### SALES AND FRANCHISE TAX

To the above will be added any applicable sales tax, franchise fee or business license tax which may be assessed by any state or local governmental body.

#### **PAYMENT TERMS**

All bills are net and payable when rendered.

#### **TERM OF CONTRACT**

The customer shall execute an Agreement of Service with the Company which shall specify the maximum daily volume of gas to be transported, the period of time that the Company will receive such gas, and all conditions under which delivery to the Company will be accepted and delivery to the customer will be made. The customer must provide the Company with all necessary documentation of ownership and authorization required by any regulatory body with jurisdiction.

#### **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The Company's General Terms and Conditions are incorporated by reference and a part of this rate schedule.

#### ANNUAL NOMINATION

Customers must elect to receive a) Transportation Service only, b) Transportation Service with Standby Service, or c) Standby Service only for each applicable period. Such elections must be made to the Company in writing by October 15th of each year to be effective for each month during the period November 1st to October 31st following. New customers under this tariff shall elect volumes at the time their service contract becomes effective. If no prior election has been made then the customer will receive Standby Service only. If any customer fails to make a timely election, then the prior period election will carry over for the following period. All elections shall be binding for the duration of the November 1st to October 31st period and may not be revoked, suspended or modified by the Customer.

RATE 36

**GAS LIGHTING** 

#### **AVAILABILITY**

EFFECTIVE FOR BILLS RENDERED ON AND AFTER THE FIRST BILLING CYCLE OF NOVEMBER 2005 THIS SCHEDULE IS CLOSED AND NOT AVAILABLE TO ANY NEW STRUCTURE OR APPLIANCE.

#### RATE

All lighting service where fixtures are mounted on Company's ornamental poles which are a part of Company's distribution system will be charged for at the following rate per light.

SIZE	Lamp Charges per Month		Average Therms Usage per Month
Two Mantle fixture complete	\$20 <del>.11</del>	\$20.11	15
Three Mantle fixture complete	\$ <del>26.02</del>	\$26.02	22
Four Mantle fixture complete	\$32.15	\$32.15	29

## ADJUSTMENT FOR RECOVERY OF GAS COSTS

The commodity charges above include gas costs of \$0.60493 per therm and are subject to adjustment by order of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

#### SALES AND FRANCHISE TAX

To the above will be added any applicable sales tax, franchise fee or business license tax which may be assessed by any state or local governmental body.

#### **PAYMENT TERMS**

All bills are net and payable when rendered.

#### **TERM OF CONTRACT**

Service hereunder shall be provided under written contract, with the initial term of contract of five years and, there after, for one-year periods until terminated by either party on ninety days written notice.

#### **SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

The company will furnish, erect, operate and maintain all necessary equipment in accordance with its standard specifications. Non-standard service will be furnished only when the customer pays the difference in costs between such non-standard service and standard service or pays to the Company its normal monthly facility charge based on such difference in costs.

## **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

## SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

GAS

RIDER TO RATES 31, 32V, 32S, 33 AND 34

SERVICE FOR AIR CONDITIONING

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#### **AVAILABILITY**

EFFECTIVE FOR BILLS RENDERED ON AND AFTER THE FIRST BILLING CYCLE OF NOVEMBER 2005 THIS SCHEDULE IS CLOSED AND NOT AVAILABLE TO ANY NEW APPLIANCE.

This rider is available to those customers which have installed and are regularly operating a gas-fired central air cooling system or have installed and are regularly operating a gas-fired central combination air cooling and heating system. Service under this rider shall be available subject to the specifications below at customer's request and with Company certification of customer's installed gas-fired central air cooling system or gas-fired central combination air cooling and heating system. It is not available for resale service. At the company's discretion, service offered under this rider may be limited and applied only to those customers currently receiving service under this rider.

#### INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL, RATES 31, 33 AND 34

#### METERING

The volume of gas used for service under this rider will be determined by separate metering equipment installed by the Company. All costs associated with the separate metering are borne by the customer.

Available to those customers qualifying for service under General Service Rates 31 & 33.

SPECIFICATION A - Customer with gas-fired cooling systems.

#### RATE PER MONTH (All Months)

 Basic Facilities Charge:
 \$16.84
 \$18.50

 Commodity Charge:
 \$0.65244
 \$0.65244
 per therm

## ADJUSTMENTS FOR RECOVERY OF GAS COSTS

The commodity charges above include gas costs of \$0.55373 per therm and are subject to adjustment by order of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

SPECIFICATION B - Customer with gas-fired Central combination air cooling and heating systems.

## RATE PER MONTH (During the Billing Months of May through October)

 Basic Facilities Charge:
 \$16.84
 \$18.50

 Commodity Charge:
 \$ 0.65244
 \$ 0.65244
 per therm

## ADJUSTMENTS FOR RECOVERY OF GAS COSTS

The commodity charges above include gas costs of \$0.55373 per therm and are subject to adjustment by order of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

#### **DEKATHERM BILLING**

Customers that have installed chart metering facilities may be billed on a per Dekatherm basis (1Dekatherm = 10 therms). The amount per Dekatherm will be determined by multiplying the above rates by 10.

Available to those customers qualifying for service under Large General Service Rates 34. Rate 34G - Customer with gas-fired Central combination air cooling and heating systems.

RATE PER MONTH (All Months)

Commodity Charge: All therms @

**\$ 0.77762 \$ 0.77762** per therm

## ADJUSTMENT FOR RECOVERY OF GAS COSTS

The commodity charges above include gas costs of \$0.5903 per therm. These charges are subject to adjustment by order of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

## SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

GAS

RIDER TO RATES 31, 32V, 32S, 33 AND 34

SERVICE FOR AIR CONDITIONING (Page 2 of 2)

#### **DEKATHERM BILLING**

Customers that have installed chart metering facilities may be billed on a per Dekatherm basis (1Dekatherm = 10 therms). The amount per Dekatherm will be determined by multiplying the above rates by 10.

#### **RESIDENTIAL RATES 32V & 32S**

Available only to residential customers qualifying for service under Firm Residential Service Rate 32V & 32S and having a gas-fired central air cooling system or gas-fired central combination air cooling and heating system using the Company's service in private residences. For apartments or multifamily structures having not more than two (2) dwelling units, gas service for a gas-fired central air cooling system or a gas-fired central combination air cooling and heating system for the entire building may be included in the account of one of the dwelling units. All gas service supplied to the second dwelling unit will be separately metered to comply with the provisions of Rate 32V & 32S.

## SPECIFICATION B - Customer with gas-fired central combination air cooling and heating systems.

## RATE PER MONTH (All Months)

Basic Facilities Charge:	\$10.50	\$10.90
Commodity Charge:	\$0.77326	\$0.77326 per therm
All therms @		V Contract

## ADJUSTMENT FOR RECOVERY OF GAS COSTS

The commodity charges above include gas costs of \$0.60493 per therm and are subject to adjustment by order of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina.

#### WEATHER NORMALIZATION ADJUSTMENT

An adjustment to commodity charges for the billing months of November - April will be made in accordance with the Weather Normalization Adjustment.

#### GENERAL

#### MINIMUM CHARGE

The monthly minimum charge shall be the basic facilities charge as stated above.

## SALES AND FRANCHISE TAX

To the above will be added any applicable sales tax, franchise fee or business license tax which may be assessed by any state or local governmental

#### PAYMENT TERMS

All bills are net and payable when rendered.

#### SPECIAL PROVISIONS

The Company will furnish service in accordance with its standard specifications. Non-standard service will be furnished only when the customer pays the difference in costs between non-standard service and standard service or pays to the Company its normal monthly facility charge based on such difference in costs.

#### **TERMS OF CONTRACT**

Contracts shall run continuously from time service is commenced at each location until service to customer is permanently disconnected. A separate contract shall cover each meter at each location.

#### **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The Company's General Terms and Conditions are incorporated by reference and a part of this rate schedule.

Effective For Bills Rendered On and After the 1st Billing Cycle of November 2011

# SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY WEATHER NORMALIZATION ADJUSTMENT

#### **APPLICABILITY**

This Weather Normalization Adjustment (WNA) is applicable to and is a part of the Company's firm gas rate schedules 31, 32V, 32S, and 33. The commodity charges per therm for each customer account during the billing months of November through April will be increased or decreased in an amount to the nearest one-thousandth of a cent, as derived by the following formula:

WNA = 
$$\frac{WSL \times R}{ATH - BTH}$$
  
Where: WSL = ATH - BTH X (NDD - ADD)

WNA = Weather Normalization Adjustment factor for a particular account expressed in dollars per therm.

ADD

- WSL = Weather Sensitive Load which is the difference in the amount of therms that would have been consumed by the customer during normal weather and the amount of therms actually consumed.
- R = Approved rate less cost of gas for applicable rate schedule determined as follows:

Rate 32V		Rate 32S		
R= \$0.39426	R= \$0.43391	R= \$ 0.45426	R= \$ 0.49391	
Rate 31		Ra	te 33	
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- ATH = Actual therms consumed by customer during current billing period.
- **BTH** = Base load therms which is the average of the therms consumed by customer during the previous billing months of June, July and August. If BTH is greater than ATH, then BTH will equal to ATH. If base load therms cannot be determined, then base load therms will be as follows:

 Rate 32V = 18 therms
 Rate 32S = 4 therms

 Rate 31 = 19 therms
 Rate 33 = 739 therms

- NDD = Normal heating degree days during customer's billing period authorized by the Commission.
- ADD = Actual heating degree days during customer's billing period.

The appropriate revenue related tax factor is to be included in these calculations.